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SUBJECT: ZAIRIAN CHARGE'S DEMARCHE ON ANGOLAN DEVELOPMENTS,
US AID TO ZAIRE, SECURITY OF ZAIRIAN CHANCERY,
EXTRADITION CASE, AID FOR ANGOLAN REFUGEES

1. ANGOLA. CHARGE NDAGANO CALLED ON ACTING ASSISTANT SECRETARY MULCAHY NOVEMBER 10. HANDED OVER TEXT OF GOZ POLBUREAU'S RESPONSE TO RECENT SOVIET DEMARCHE TO GOZ ON ANGOLA (KINSHASA 9491). TO THIS WAS APPENDED AN OFFICIAL GOZ COMMENT ON RECENT SOVIET APPROACH TO AMIN IN SUPPORT OF MPLA. GOZ LABELED IT AS TINGED WITH RACISM AND A SLAP IN FACE OF AFRICA. MULCAHY COMMENTED THAT ONE COULD USUALLY COUNT ON SOVIETS TO MAKE SUCH BLUNDERS IN AFRICA. IN REPLY TO QUESTION, MULCAHY SAID OUR LATEST WORD FROM CABINDA WAS THAT ON NOVEMBER 9 FIRING COULD BE HEARD FROM CAPITAL.

2. AID TO ZAIRE. NDAGANO RAISED QUESTION OF MULCAHY'S
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RECENT APPEARANCES ON HILL IN SUPPORT OF AID FOR ZAIRE.

MULCAHY SAID PROGRESS WAS BEING MADE WITH CONGRESS. THESE HAD BEEN HIGHLY USEFUL MEETINGS. WE WERE PLEASED AT DEGREE OF CONGRESSIONAL UNDERSTANDING WE HAD ENCOUNTERED SO FAR, BUT SOME LEGISLATIVE HURDLES REMAIN.

3. SECURITY OF CHANCERY. MULCAHY ASKED ABOUT REPORT JUST RECEIVED FROM EMBASSY KINSHASA (KINSHASA 9791) CONCERNING GOZ ALARM OVER BOMB THREATS TO ZAIRIAN CHANCERY AND MISSION IN NEW YORK. NDAGANO QUICKLY ASSURED HIM REPORT WAS FALSE. SAID THERE HAD PROBABLY BEEN CONFUSION WITH REPORTS OF ATTACKS ON ZAIRIAN EMBASSY IN ROME. UNDERTOOK TO SEND CABLE TO GOZ AT ONCE SETTING RECORD STRAIGHT. AT SAME TIME, NDAGANO ASKED DEPARTMENT TO INCREASE PROTECTION OF ZAIRIAN CHANCERY IN ORDER TO MEET POSSIBLE THREAT OF MARCH ON CHANCERY BY PERSONS (UNIDENTIFIED) WHO, HE SAID, WERE PLANNING TO CELEBRATE ANGOLA'S INDEPENDENCE AT ONE OF LOCAL AFRICAN EMBASSIES. (DEPARTMENT PROMPTLY ARRANGED FOR EXTRA SECURITY PRECAUTIONS TO BE TAKEN TO PROTECT ZAIRIAN EMBASSY ON NOVEMBER 10 AND 11).

4. EXTRADITION. NDAGANO RAISED WITH PAINED EXPRESSION DEPARTMENT'S REPLY TO GOZ EXTRADITION REQUESTS (STATE 264794) AND MULCAHY QUICKLY INTERJECTED TO APOLOGIZE FOR FACT THAT REPLY HAD INADVERTENTLY BEEN SENT TO ZAIRE EMBASSY IN ROUTINE MAIL RATHER THAN BEING SUBJECT OF PRIVATE MEETING. MULCAHY SAID SUBJECT WAS VERY IMPORTANT

FOR US BECAUSE OF ZAIRE'S STRONG INTEREST IN IT. THERE

HAD BEEN REGRETTABLE BUREAUCRATIC SNAFU IN SENDING REPLY. WE WISH TO BE AS HELPFUL AS US LAWS PERMIT. AS STATED IN OUR WRITTEN REPLY, MPOYO DOES NOT APPEAR TO BE IN US. WE WOULD WELCOME ANY EVIDENCE THAT HE IS. RE NDELE, WE ARE BOUND BY DEPT OF JUSTICE FINDING THAT THERE IS SO FAR INSUFFICIENT EVIDENCE THAT HE HAS COMMITTED CRIME HERE. IF GOZ HAS FURTHER EVIDENCE THAT OUR LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICIALS COULD EXAMINE, WE WOULD BE MORE THAN PLEASED TO RECEIVE IT.

5. ANGOLAN REFUGEES. NDAGANO SAID INFLUX OF REFUGEES
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FROM CABINDA IS SERIOUS AND USG ASSISTANCE MIGHT BE NEEDED. MULCAHY SAID WE VERY MUCH WANT TO HELP ANGOLAN REFUGEES AND HAVE NO DOUBT WE CAN OBTAIN CONGRESSIONAL APPROVAL FOR WORTHWHILE PROGRAM. INITIAL REQUEST SHOULD LOGICALLY COME FROM UNHCR WHICH HAS REPRESENTATIVE ON SPOT.

NDAGANO NODDED ASSENT AND TOOK NOTES. KISSINGER

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